GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Mines and Minerals – Imposition of special condition under Rule 27(3) of Mineral Concession Rules, 1960 in all mining leases for major minerals (excluding coal minerals) – Issued – Reg.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (MINES-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.168,

Dated: 06.12.2013 Read the following:-

- 1. From the Ministry of Mines, Government of India, F.No. 10/75/2008-MV, dt. 23-12-2010.
- 2. From the Director of Mines and Geology, Hyderabad, letter No. 37537/P1/2009, dt. 08.03.2013.

ORDER

The following notification will be published in the Extra ordinary Issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, dated 06th December, 2013.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred under rule 27(3) of Mineral concession Rules, 1960 framed under Section 13 of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act, 1957, the Governor of Andhra Pradesh hereby impose the following special condition in all the mining leases for major minerals (excluding coal minerals) granted, executed and in force as on the date of issue of this notification.

A. <u>Special condition imposed in the grant orders issued earlier in respect of all the mining leases for major minerals in the State and are in force</u>

The owner of a mining lease shall:

- (a) Ensure that prospecting work is carried out in his lease area at his own cost in such mining lease where:
 - (i) Prospecting has not been done and a Prospecting Report has not been filed with the Indian bureau of Mines;
 - (ii) The Prospecting Report for the mining lease has been prepared in terms of standards that are materially different are incompatible with UNFC standards;
 - (iii) Fresh prospecting work has become necessary for such minerals for which the threshold values have been revised by the Indian Bureau of Mines; and
 - (iv) Fresh prospecting is required to prove the depth persistency of the ore or mineral deposit;

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(b) Ensure that prospecting work if required under clause (a) above, shall be completed as per the time-schedule given below:

SI. No.	Item	Time Limit
1	All mining lease with an area of less than 10 hectares.	Within one year of the imposition of the condition in the mining lease.
2	All mining lease with an area of more than 10 hectares and less than 50 hectares.	One half of the area within one year of the imposition of the condition in the mining lease and remaining half of the mining lease area within three year of imposition of condition in the mining lease.
3	All mining lease with an area of more than 50 hectares	The mining lease area to be equally demarcated for prospecting work such that all prospecting work is completed in a period of five years from the date of imposition of the condition in the mining lease

(c) Submit

- (i) Yearly report on the progress in the prospecting work along with the expenditure details and a copy of the interim Prospecting Report, where the prospecting Report is of a part area (as at serial number (2) and (3) of the sub-clause (b) above); and
- (ii) Complete Prospecting Report with a feasibility report at end of the prospecting report to the Chief Controller of Mines, Indian Bureau of Mines, and the Assistant Director of Mines and Geology concerned, under copy of the report to the Director of Mines and Geology, Hyderabad and Deputy Director of Mines and Geology concerned.
- B. The time stipulation mentioned above shall commence from the date of publication of this G.O. in the Gazette.
- C. All the mining leaseholders for major minerals shall adhere to the time stipulation as mentioned above.
- D. The Government may issue clarification, guidelines and relaxation orders as may be considered necessary.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SABYASACHI GHOSH SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Commissioner of Printing, Stationary & Stores Purchase (Ptg. Wing) Hyderabad. (He is requested to publish the above Notification in the Extra-Ordinary issue of A.P. Gazette, dated 06.12.2013 and arrange to send 2500 copies of the same to Government in Industries & Commerce (MI) Department)

The Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad
All Joint Directors of Mines & Geology }
All Deputy Directors of Mines & Geology } through Director of
All Assistant Directors of Mines & Geology } Mines & Geology
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Copy to:

The Secretary to Government of India,

Department of Mines, New Delhi.

The Law (J) Department.

The Industries and Commerce (SPIU & SAND/M.II/M.III/M.IV) Department.

The P.S. to Hon'ble Chief Minister.

The P.S. to Hon'ble Minister for Mines and Geology.

The P.S to Principal Secy to Govt (M&T)

Sf/Sc.(C.No.243/M.I(2)/2011)

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